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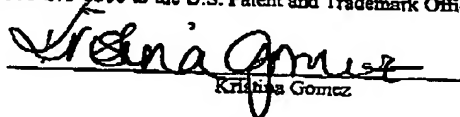
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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

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Dear Sir:

In response to the Restriction Requirement dated October 16, 2006, Applicants hereby elect, with traverse, Group I, claims 1-13 and 23-30 to prosecute in the above-identified patent application.

Applicants respectfully traverse restriction between Groups I and II. In the Restriction Requirement dated October 16, 2006, the Examiner restricted Group I from Group II on a combination (Group II)/sub-combination basis (Group I). More specifically, the Restriction Requirement states that "the combination, Group II, as claimed does not require the particulars of the subcombination, Group I, as claimed because the combination does not require the use of an imaging box having a camera mounted to the interior cavity" However, independent claim 14 (in Group II, the combination) recites "an imaging box having a set of walls enclosing an interior cavity and a camera mount configured to position the camera relative the interior cavity".

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The rationale for restriction is thus inconsistent with the claim language. Applicants respectfully request that Groups I and II be prosecuted together.

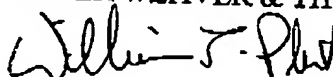
In response to the Election of Species in Group I, Applicants hereby elect, with traverse, group I, claims 1-13 to prosecute in the above-identified patent application.

In this instance, Applicants respectfully submit that searching claims 1-13 and 23-30 together would not pose an undue searching burden since claims 1-13 and 23-30 were both classified under class 128, subclass 203.12. Applicants respectfully request that claims 1-13 and 23-30 be prosecuted together.

If any fees are due in connection with the filing this Response to Restriction Requirement, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge such fees to Deposit Account 50-0388 (Order No. XENOP008).

Respectfully submitted,

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